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Louisville, Lexington mayors make a friendly wager on UK-U of L game

UK blue will look good on Louisville Mayor Jerry Abramson, Mayor Jim Newberry predicted today.

The two mayors have a friendly wager on the outcome of this Sunday's football game between the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville. When UK wins, Newberry will ship a UK bicycle jersey to Abramson, who will wear it for a week when he's cycling.

The challenge was announced today on a Louisville radio station. The mayors decided to focus on cycling because they both enjoy the activity. Furthermore, both cities are committed to improving facilities for cyclists, such as building new recreational trails and adding bike lanes.

Lexington and Louisville are considered bike friendly communities by the League of American Bicyclists, a national organization that promotes bicycling for fun, fitness, transportation and work through advocacy and education. "Both cities have been awarded a bronze certificate for their efforts to be bike friendly," Newberry said. "We're having some friendly competition there, too, as we both work toward a silver certificate."